

# LACE CURTAINS, TAPESTERY CURTAINS and DRAPERIES

## On Sale Saturday from the Krolik Detroit Wholesale Dry Goods Stock

**Special Sale**  
**Ladies' Tailor Made Suits**  
on Second Floor.

# BRANDON STORE

Extra special cut prices  
**Ladies' Jackets, Capes and Skirts.**  
On second floor.

**\$1.50 Ladies' Kid Gloves 59c Pair**  
10,000 pair ladies' high class kid gloves in black, white and all colors, in two-clasp, four-button and Foster lace back, with all styles of embroidered hanks. Part of this grand lot of kid gloves has been on display in our show window. They are worth up to \$1.50 pair, and on sale at 59c square at 59c pair.

**Dog Skin and Kid Gloves 75c Pair**  
All the ladies' very best dog skin and kid gloves from the Detroit stock, suitable for driving, dress or street wear, in black, white and almost every shade, bought especially for this spring's trade; every pair guaranteed perfect, in all sizes from 5 1/2 to 8, on bargain square at 75c pair.

**Handkerchiefs 2c Each**  
Hundreds of dozen all kinds handkerchiefs, including hemstitched initial handkerchiefs and many styles with colored borders, part of which have been displayed in our show window, go on bargain square Saturday at 2c each.

**25c Handkerchiefs at 5c**  
Immense lot of extra fine handkerchiefs from the Detroit stock, including lace and embroidered ones, in many styles and patterns, also silk finished, fancy bordered, Japanese and handkerchiefs, worth up to 25c, choice on bargain square 5c each.

**Corsets 39c**  
Big lots of ladies' perfect fitting corsets from the Detroit stock, extra well made, short and long over hips, all sizes, black and drab, go at 39c.

**15c Collars or Cuffs for 1c**  
1,000 dozen ladies' and children's linen collars and cuffs, all sizes and styles, worth up to 15c, go at 1c each.

**Ladies' 50c Underwear 10c, 15c, 25c Each**  
All the ladies' Jersey Ribbed Underwear from the Detroit stock, in medium and heavy weight, good quality, worth up to 50c go at 10c, 15c and 25c each.

**Ladies' Union Suits 50c**  
Hundreds of ladies' Union Suits, Omaha style, excellent quality, go at 50c.

**THREE DOLLAR IRISH POINT CURTAINS \$1.25 a Pair**

200 pairs of fine Irish Point curtains, full sizes, in a variety of designs, not a pair worth less than \$3. your choice at \$1.25 pair.

**\$125 Pair**

**THREE DOLLAR NOTTINGHAM LACE CURTAINS \$1.39 a Pair**

250 pair elegant Nottingham lace curtains, 3 1/2 yds. long and 60 inches wide, in heavy fish net and light brussels effect, worth up to \$3 pair, go at \$1.39.

**\$139 Pair**

**60c WINDOW SHADES 19c**

1,500 best quality Opaque Cloth Window Shades full 7 ft. long, with hand-some fringe, all colors, a regular 60c shade. Take all you want at 19c each.

**CURTAINS \$2.50 and \$3 LACE CURTAINS 29c and 39c**  
Saturday we offer you the choice of all the Odd Lace Curtains, in all sizes, styles and qualities, extra fine goods, but odd curtains; they are worth from \$1.00 to \$1.50 pair, but Saturday you choose at 29c and 39c each. This is one of the most remarkable bargains we have ever offered.

**Worth from One Dollar to Three and a Half Dollars**  
**\$5, \$6, \$7 LACE CURTAINS \$2.98**  
200 pairs fine Nottingham, Irish point, Ruffled net, in fact all the finest goods from the Detroit stock, goods worth \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00 pair, go at one price, \$2.98 pair.

**\$4 NOTTINGHAM LACE CURTAINS \$1.98 Pair**  
175 pairs fine Nottingham lace curtains, all the latest designs of fish net, battenberg and imitation Brussels, full size, worth up to \$4.00 pair, go at \$1.98 pair.

**\$5 TAPESTRY PORTIERES \$2.98 Pair**  
175 pairs very elegant tapestry portieres, an immense variety of patterns and rich colors, extra size, not a pair worth less than \$5.00, your choice \$2.98 pair.

**\$3.50 CHENILLE CURTAINS \$1.98 a Pair**

150 pairs very handsome chenille curtains with beautiful Dado and Top Frize, and heavy fringed top and bottom, all colors, worth \$3.50 pair, your choice at \$1.98 pair.

**\$198 Pair**

**\$3.50 TAPESTRY PORTIERES \$1.98 a Pair**

100 pairs tapestry portieres, beautiful colorings and designs, full size, worth \$3.50, all go at one price, \$1.98 pair.

**\$198 Pair**



**Ladies' Five Dollar SILK WAISTS \$2.50**

1,000 ladies' all silk waists, handsomely corded fronts, yokes and corded French backs, all silk corded stock collars, the latest style sleeves with flaring cuffs, in black and all colors, worth up to \$5.00, go at \$2.50.

**\$2.50**

**HOSIERY** From the Detroit Wholesale Dry Goods Stock.

**Ladies' fast black fine gauge full seamless Hosiery, all sizes, go at, pair..... 5c**

**Ladies' extra fine fast black and polka dot Hose, with double soles and spliced heels, go at, pair..... 10c**

**All the ladies' fine imported Hose from the Detroit stock, in plain black, fancy stripes and plaids, worth up to 50c, go at, pair..... 19c**

**Ladies' fine quality wool Hose, in plain and ribbed, medium and heavy weight, worth 35c, go at, pair..... 15c**

**Children's and boys' fine and heavy ribbed Bicycle Hose, worth 25c, go at, pair..... 12 1/2c**

**Misses', children's and boys' all wool Hose, worth 35c, go at, pair..... 15c**

Big lots of all kinds of Half Hose for men, in fine cotton and wool, worth up to 25c, go at 10c, 12c and 19c pair.

Big lots of Mublin Underwear, including Night Gowns, Skirts, Drawers and Slippers, trimmed with many styles of lace and all kinds of embroidery, all go on bargain square at 49c, 75c and 98c.

### SWEEPING ADVANCE IN RATES

Fourth and Fifth Class Rates Horizontally Increased Three Cents.

WIDE DIVERSITY OF INTERESTS AFFECTED

Transportation Charges on Staple Articles of Commerce Will Be Radically Raised—Date of Effectiveness Not Announced.

The most sweeping advance in railroad rates ever contemplated by western freight officials has just been decided upon by the railroad officials of the Western Trunk Line committee. A horizontal advance of 5 cents per 100 pounds on fourth and fifth-class rates between Omaha, Chicago, Mississippi river and intermediate points is announced. The date upon which this radical increase will become effective has not yet been made public.

Commercial men, manufacturers, jobbers and retailers in this immediate territory were somewhat startled when the exclusive announcement was made in The Bee early in December that such a proposition was set forth in the foregoing was under consideration by the members of the Western Trunk Line committee. At the meeting of the committee December 12, 13 and 14 the matter was taken up for discussion. Officials of the various railroads, whose rates are controlled by the action of this committee declined to discuss the nature of the consideration given the subject. Special attention has, it has since leaked out, been given the matter at each subsequent meeting and the final decision was reached to advance the rates. From the time that the announcement was first made of the consideration of this proposition commercial interests have hoped that no such arbitrary action would be taken by the freight rate-makers.

Importance of the Advance. The importance of this proposed advance can readily be appreciated when it is considered that the bulk of freight shipments, comprising the staple articles of commerce, are transported at fourth and fifth-class rates. Among the most important products of manufacture and trade affected are: All iron and steel articles, sugar, coffee, chocolate, canned goods, baking powder, woodensware, oils, glass fruit jars, all glassware, window glass, wire, paper and molasses.

For years fourth and fifth-class rates have remained unchanged, and have passed through the stormy gales of freight rate demoralizations without being disturbed. In the advances now agreed upon the added revenue to the railroad companies resulting from the aggregate income of the increased rates will be enormous. Shippers assert now, as they have at all times heretofore when rates were advanced, that the weight of the increases will fall upon the consumer.

The present fourth and fifth-class rates and those contemplated by the recent decision of the Western Trunk Line committee in the territory affected are as follows: Between Omaha and Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul, Minneapolis and common points—Present fourth-class rate, 22 cents; present fifth-class rate, 27 cents; contemplated fourth-class rate, 25 cents; contemplated fifth-class rate, 30 cents.

Between Omaha and Peoria and Pekin, Ill.

and common points—Present fourth-class rate, 25 1/2 cents; present fifth-class rate, 24 1/2 cents; contemplated fourth-class rate, 23 1/2 cents; contemplated fifth-class rate, 27 1/2 cents.

Between Omaha and Mississippi river and common points—Present fourth-class rate, 27 cents; present fifth-class rate, 22 cents; contemplated fourth-class rate, 29 cents; contemplated fifth-class rate, 25 cents.

Brewers Alone Escape.

The amber-hued liquor produced by the breweries is the only commodity exempted in the sweeping advance of class rates, and the influence of the brewers seems to have been exercised with powerful persuasion upon the rate-makers. Beer takes the fifth-class rate and in the horizontal advance of 3 cents agreed upon transportation charges on shipments of beer would be tilted upward in proportion with all other fifth-class products. The present rate between Omaha and St. Louis on beer is 22 cents per 100 pounds and between Omaha and Chicago, 27 cents. Instead of increasing these rates by 3 cents the committee has decided to make a single exception of beer and continue the fifth-class rate as at present.

TALK ABOUT LIVE STOCK RATES.

General Officers of Nebraska Roads Hold a Meeting in Chicago.

The general officials of the three railroads having headquarters in Omaha are in Chicago attending a meeting of western railroad officials for the purpose of discussing primarily the live stock situation. The meeting was prompted, it is said, by the recent action of the Nebraska State Board of Transportation in demanding a reduction in rates charged for the transportation of live stock. It is believed in local railroad circles that this conference in Chicago will be attended only by the general officials of the lines operating in Nebraska, although a railroad man in position to know gave out the information that the meeting was a general conference of all western lines held to discuss rates and other matters in general.

President Burr, General Manager Dickinson, Freight Traffic Manager Munroe and General Solicitor Kelly of the Union Pacific left Thursday night to attend the conference. General Manager Hotzinger, General Freight Agent Crosby and General Solicitor Henderson left in the former's private car to represent the Burlington. General Manager Bidwell and General Attorney White of the Elkhorn went over to Chicago early in the week and remained to attend the conference.

Railway Notes and Personalities. Assistant General Freight Agent Weitzel of the Illinois Central is in Chicago. General Superintendent Blinnell of the Burlington is in the city on a brief business visit. E. D. Cornell, city passenger agent of the Missouri Pacific at Lincoln, is a visitor in the city. General Agent Kuhn of the Northwest is out in the state on the line of the Elkhorn road looking after business. General Passenger Agent Lomax of the Union Pacific is unable to be at his office owing to a slight attack of sickness. L. E. Souders of Minneapolis, traveling passenger agent of the Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville, is an Omaha visitor. Assistant General Freight Agent Phillip of the Missouri Pacific has returned from a visit to Chicago. He was accompanied by his wife.

J. H. Sofsky, special car agent of the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf, is in Omaha looking after the equipment of the road for the season.

A. B. C. Denniston, city passenger agent of the Great Northern at Portland, is in the city on a brief business visit. Mr. Denniston was formerly located in Omaha as city passenger agent of the Union Pacific.

consultation with Superintendent W. J. Robinson of that station. C. A. Parker, formerly traffic manager of the Missouri Pacific and more recently chairman of the live stock committee, has gone to St. Louis to accept the chairmanship of the local freight bureau in that city, succeeding A. J. Vandenberg.

Working Night and Day. The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills. These pills change weakness into strength, hasten energy, brain-fog into mental power. They're wonderful in building up the exhausted, with powerful persuasion upon the rate-makers. Beer takes the fifth-class rate and in the horizontal advance of 3 cents agreed upon transportation charges on shipments of beer would be tilted upward in proportion with all other fifth-class products.

POLITICAL FIGHT IN DAKOTA. State on North Preparing for a Bitter Contest.

ABRIDGMENT, S. D., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Politics in South Dakota are attracting unusual attention this early in the campaign. The campaign of 1900 promises to be the most active and aggressive the state has ever seen.

While many minor issues will enter into the campaign, the one great issue will be the republican party and they stand ready to fight the battle along that line. They are already making active preparations for a vigorous campaign and it will be conducted with a view of winning at every point.

It is yet too early to name the state ticket, but it is generally conceded that Charles N. Herried of Eureka, the chairman of the republican state central committee, will head the republican ticket. His record stands above reproach and he has for some time been better known than any other republican in the state.

If Governor Lee desired the renomination he could doubtless secure it with little effort, but it is thought the fusion ticket will be headed by W. T. LaFollette, who aspires to the place.

HURON, S. D., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—The call for a meeting here of the republican state central committee on February 20, to fix the time and place for holding a convention to name delegates to the national republican convention, may be considered as the opening of the campaign for 1900. What town will get the convention seems of very little importance, as the town selected cannot hope to get the convention, that shall nominate candidates for state officers. For the latter convention there will be a lively contest, it being already practically settled that two conventions will be held.

PREPARE FOR COLLEGE CONTEST. South Dakota Orators and Athletes Meet in W. Mead.

MITCHELL, S. D., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Owing to the withdrawal of Vermilion last year there will be but five colleges represented in the oratorical and athletic contest this year—Redfield, Huron, Yankton, Brookings and Mitchell. The executive committee of the associations held their annual meetings here and arranged the preliminaries and attended to some important matters. The oratorical association was represented by C. W. Finch of Yankton, C. D. Sterling of Redfield and A. J. Carpenter of Mitchell. The date selected for the annual contest in oratory is May 17, the first day of the athletic meet. The silver loving cup, which was awarded to Mitchell university last year for the reason that it had been won three times, will have to be competed for again this year. It was discovered by the minutes of 1896, when the cup was first put up by the association, that it would have to be competed for five times, but it was supposed that when Mitchell took it the last three times in succession that the cup would be long to them permanently.

The following members of the Athletic association were present at the committee meeting: John Connell of Brookings, Laura H. S. Steers of Croston, assistant superintendent of Iowa lines, are in the city in

of Huron, J. W. P. Davies of Yankton and L. M. Simons of Redfield.

Jail Breakers Captured.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Last night two Indians, named Anthony Benouente and Charlie Long Turkey, charged with stealing horses, and being held to answer to the next United States grand jury at Sioux Falls, escaped from the Brule county jail in this city. Before departing they locked some of their brother prisoners in the steel cells so that they would not be able to interfere with their operations in breaking out. Sheriff Miller was at once advised of their escape, and started in pursuit. Believing that they would strike out for the vicinity of their homes on the Lower Brule reservation he went up the river, taking with him another Indian prisoner for interpreter. His conclusions proved to be correct, for he at about 1 o'clock in the morning located them in the home of a relative. As they paid no attention to his request to open the door he smashed it in and found them both in bed with the quilts over their heads. He put them in irons and landed them back in their old quarters in the jail only twelve hours from the time of their escape.

Cattle Thieves in Dakota.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Cattle thieves still continue operations in this section of the state. A report has just reached town of the theft of a herd of thirty head, valued at \$12,000, from the Montgomery ranch in Furber township, Charles Mix county. At frequent intervals during the last couple of years whole herds have been stolen in Gregory county and other portions of the range country, where the losses have been particularly heavy; the settlers are agitating the organization of old-time vigilance parties.

Insane Patient Transferred.

HURON, S. D., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—R. L. Thomas of the hospital for the insane was here yesterday and took to that institution Adam Hager of Hughes county. Mr. Thomas also took back with him a man and woman from Kingsbury county and a woman from Salem in McCook county. He gives the number of patients now in the hospital as 400.

Postoffice and Bank.

BROWLIE, S. D., Feb. 16.—A fire in the business district last night caused a loss of from \$15,000 to \$20,000, partially insured. The postoffice, People's bank and seven business firms were burned out.

Roland Reed Improving.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—The physicians at St. Luke's hospital report that Roland Reed, the actor, who submitted to an operation Wednesday, was improving today. They have hopes of his ultimate recovery.

Saturday 25c A Box—

Saturday we place on sale a number of boxes of our delicious Dauntless Chocolates—ten varieties—vanilla, Frappe, strawberry, Tilly, pineapple, lemon, coffee, raspberry, peppermint and dipped caramels—at the low price of 25c a box. We do this to get you acquainted with the "good things to eat" at our candy counter. All we ask is that you try our goods. We will leave the rest to your own good judgment.

W. S. Balduff, 1520 Farnam St.

### ARMOR FOR NEW VESSELS

O'Neill of the Navy Department Discusses the Subject Before Committee on Naval Affairs.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Admiral O'Neill, chief of the Bureau of Ordnance of the Navy department, was heard today by the committee on naval affairs on the subject of armor for new naval vessels. He said that about 20,000 tons of armor are required and advised that the Navy department be left free to secure the best armor obtainable and that congress fix no price, leaving that open, the same as in authorizing purchases of powder and other naval supplies.

The naval bill has been practically completed by the subcommittee having it in charge, except on the two chief items of new ships and armor. Before these are determined on Secretary Long will be heard, probably some time next week.

Postal Bills Reported Favorably.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The bill generally known as the Loud bill, relating to second-class mail matter, was favorably acted on by the house committee on post-offices today. As finally agreed on a uniform rate of 1 cent per pound is fixed, the proposed clause making the rate 2 cents in case of extreme distance being omitted. The mailable matter of this class includes all newspapers and periodicals issued at stated intervals and as frequently as four times a year, but provision is made against books and reprints purporting to be issued periodically. A new provision as to sample



**SYRINGES**

of all descriptions. A complete stock at very low prices. This instrument, with two hard rubber pipes, 10c—postage, 10c.

THE ALOE & PENFOLD CO., Deformity Brace Manufacturers, 1408 FARNAM OMAHA, Op. Paxton Hotel.



copies allows such copies up to 50 per cent of the bona fide subscription list and not above 500 of any one issue.

The committee also directed a favorable report on a bill revising and codifying the postal laws. The first draft of the bill was prepared by a postal commission, but as now to be presented the revision has been gone over by the Postoffice department and much amplified. A hearing was given to representatives of the railway postal clerks in favor of a classification of this branch of the service.

### REPUBLICAN CAUCUS MEETS

Discuss Order of Business in Senate—Bill for Porto Rico Follows

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS. WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The republican caucus of the senate today discussed the order of business in the senate, deciding to take up the bill providing a government for Porto Rico next after the disposal of the Hawaiian bill. Attention was called to the resolution for seating Senator Quay, but no action was taken upon it, the suggestion being made that as it is a privileged question it can be taken up at any time. It was also decided to have republican succeeded democrats in a number of appointments in the senate.

Expenses in Cuba.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—In response to a resolution of the senate the secretary of war sent to the senate today a statement showing the position and disbursements of public funds in the island of Cuba for the year 1899. The statement shows receipts amounting to \$16,346,015, of which \$11,011,089 were from customs, \$234,000 from the postal service, \$28,592 from internal taxes and \$4,002,334 from miscellaneous sources.

The expenditures amounted to \$14,085,806, leaving \$2,260,209 in the hands of the treasurer.

### ALASKA NEEDS LIGHTHOUSES

Daily Fog Renders Great Portions of the Coast Dangerous to Vessels.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The government lighthouse board is making every effort to establish a number of light and fog signal stations along the Alaskan coast before the end of the coming season. A bill has passed the senate appropriating \$399,000 for this purpose and it is expected that the house will take favorable action on the measure very soon. It has been definitely decided to establish at once a station on Scotch cape, at the entrance to Unimak pass, Aleutian islands. Fog, it is said, prevails there nearly every day during the summer season. Captain Perry, U. S. N., the naval secretary of the board, today said that about fifteen stations in all would likely be established this season on the Alaskan coast. Most of those would be located along the southeastern coast, and a number of others are now engaged in locating the most advantageous sites.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is unequalled for piles, injuries and skin diseases. It is the original Witch Hazel Salve. Beware of all counterfeits.

### The Whole World Over—

Drexel L. Shoeman's boys shoes are recognized for style and durability—never in your life have you bought a boys' shoe for a dollar and a half that equals this one—provided you've a boy and have bought his shoes from Drexel L. Shoeman—Everybody knows that leather has gone up and is still going up—but we go right on selling the same shoe for the same money—\$1.50 a pair—That's the way we have always done—The best for the money no matter how much the money.

### Drexel Shoe Co.,

Omaha's Up-to-date Shoe House, 1619 FARNAM STREET.

Slightly Used Pianos—

seem to be just what the people want—They are all of the most reliable makes and in some cases you can scarcely tell they have been used at all—the damage is in the price—for they have been out all in pieces to make them go—they are not old styles or shop-worn—but the very latest in patterns and woods—Some at \$85, \$95, \$135, \$200, \$250, \$245 and up—New pianos \$100, less than factory prices—All on easy terms.

A. HOSPE, Music and Art, 1613 Douglas.

